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REMARKS

1. Applicant thanks the Examiner for his remarks and observations, which have greatly assisted Applicant in responding. In the Notice of Non-compliant amendment, the Examiner pointed out that the claims listed in the Amendment of December 22, 2005 were not the same as those that had been examined and to which the combination of Pricescan and Portman had been applied. Applicant provides herewith a corrected claim set that coincides with the claims filed in the Preliminary Amendment of October 4, 2004. Applicant certifies that provision of the incorrect claim set was inadvertent.

With the December 22 response, Applicant submitted a declaration from each of the inventors—Srinivas Lingutla, Kamal Acharya, Vincent Tong. Peter Gremett, Matthew Crampton and Ellen Patterson—pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.131, by which the inventors swore behind the Portman reference. Applicant incorporates the declarations herein by reference. Additionally, Applicant incorporates its remarks made in the December 22 response by reference.

CONCLUSION

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In view of the foregoing, Applicant requests reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims. Should the Examiner find it helpful, he is encouraged to contact applicant's attorney at 650-474-8400.

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